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In re application of:

PETERSON et al.

Application No.: 09/423,025

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For: DIGITAL CONTENT VENDING, DELIVERY, AND  
MAINTENANCE SYSTEM

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Examiner: Unassigned

Group Art Unit: 2761

Date: March 30, 2001

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Sir:

We respectfully ask that the Request for Status filed on January 18, 2001 of the above-referenced application be granted. The Request was denied because the requestor was not recorded as an attorney of record. Attached please find the following:

1. Copy of Associate Power of Attorney filed on February 2, 2000
2. Copy of returned postcard stamped March 6, 2000 by the PTO
3. Copy of Request for Status filed January 18, 2001
4. Copy of Status Letter Reply

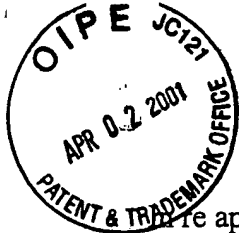
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Sir:

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Docket No.: DSORP001A Serial No.: 09/423,025 Date: 02/29/2000  
By: RER/fg Filing Date: 10/28/99 Express Mail No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Inventor(s): PETERSON et al.  
Title: DIGITAL CONTENT VENDING, DELIVERY, AND MAINTENANCE SYSTEM

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**REQUEST FOR STATUS**

Sir:

We respectfully ask to be advised of the status of the above described application.

This case is a 35 USC 371 national stage application based on a PCT application in which an international search report (ISR) was prepared by the US/RO and a favorable international preliminary examination report (IPER) was issued by the US/EO. Accordingly, this is a case which should be taken up out of order per 37 CFR 1.496(b).

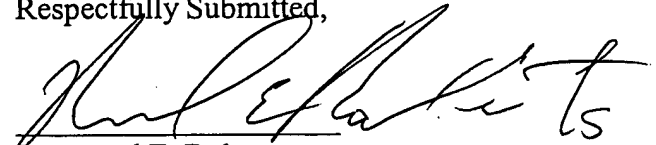
To date, Applicant has received no indication that examination has commenced in this case. The Office's PALM system also apparently confirms this. However, a continuation application of this, Ser. No. 09/556,905, filed on 4/20/00, is now in examination and elicited an Office Action on 12/18/00. The passage of time and the odd sequence of events here prompt Applicant's concern that something has gone awry.

If there are questions or issues to resolve in this case we would be happy to have a telephone conference with officials of the Office. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

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STATUS INFORMATION

- ( ) Action by the examiner  
 Expected date for action on this application  
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